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**AMENDMENT**

Applicant is responding to the Office Action dated October 18, 2006. This response is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination and a petition for one month extension of time.

Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 2.

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Enclosures: Rule 132 Declaration of David A. Sleper